

REMARKS PREPARED FOR DELIVERY BY
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A TRIBUTE TO BETTY RENDEL
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- * BETTY'S DEDICATION TO THE GOP -- WOMEN PARTICULARLY -- SINCE SHE WAS 5TH DISTRICT VICE CHAIR FOR THE 1964 GOLDWATER CAMPAIGN.
- * I KNOW OF BETTY'S WORK BOTH BY MY PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH BETTY AND BECAUSE MY MOTHER IS AN NFRW REGENT.
- * BETTY'S DIPLOMATIC SKILLS. BETTER TO GIVE THAN RECEIVE -- EXCEPT FOR CHRISTMAS CARDS. BETTY BEGAN A FUNDRAISING EFFORT WITH CHRISTMAS CARD SALES THAT WAS MISMANAGED BY COMPUTERS.
- * BETTY ASSUMED THE BLAME, AS PRESIDENT, AND SPENT WEEKS ON THE PHONE, SOOTHING EVERYONE WHO HAD RECEIVED QUANTITIES OF CHRISTMAS CARDS THEY HAD NOT ORDERED.
- * SHE HAS THE ABILITY TO DELIVER EVEN THE BAD NEWS IN A POSITIVE AND EVEN HUMOROUS WAY SO THAT OTHERS TEND TO ACCEPT THE NEWS.

* AS ANOTHER TRAVELING WOMAN, I UNDERSTAND WHY BETTY IS READY TO RETIRE HER SUITCASES AND RETURN TO INDIANA.

* I KNOW IN FACT THAT BETTY WILL CONTINUE TO TRAVEL -- BUT THIS TIME IT WILL BE ON HER FAVORITE MODE OF TRANSPORTATION -- HER MOPED.

* SO, AS NOT TO LOSE BETTY'S VALUABLE ADVICE WHEN SHE LEAVES WASHINGTON, I HAVE ASKED HER TO CONSIDER JOINING MY SAFETY TEAM TO TEST SEAT BELTS FOR MOPEDS.

* I KNOW HAROLD (DR. RENDEL, HUSBAND) WILL BE GLAD TO SEE MORE OF BETTY. SINCE THEY ARE BOTH SUCH AVID FANS OF THE INDIANAPOLIS 500, I PLAN TO DEPUTIZE THEM FOR NEXT MEMORIAL DAY'S RACE SO THEY CAN GET CLOSER TO THE TRACK AND ASSIST ME IN ENFORCING THE 55 MILE PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT.

WE WILL MISS HER UNFAILING KINDNESS, CAPABLE LEADERSHIP, AND EVER-PRESENT HUMOR. THAT IS HER STYLE.

* SHE GOES WITH OUR THANKS FOR SERVING AS NFRW PRESIDENT FOR TWO AND ONE-HALF TERMS.

* FOR BEING A LEADERSHIP ROLE MODEL THAT WOMEN EVERYWHERE CAN TAKE PRIDE IN, CAN EMULATE.

* AND SHE GOES WITH OUR PRAYERS -- THE GREATEST GIFT ONE FRIEND CAN OFFER ANOTHER.

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